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<u>CERTIFIED MAIL</u> 7012 1010 0002 0759 6830 <u>RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED</u>

City of Jackson Attn.: The Honorable Charles Tillman Acting Mayor, City Hall 219 South President Street Jackson, Mississippi 39205

> Re: CMOM Training Program Approval City of Jackson, Mississippi Consent Decree

Case No.: 3:12-cv-790 TSL-JMR

Dear Mayor Tillman:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 4 has consulted with the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) upon reviewing the CMOM Training Program dated February 28, 2014, pursuant to Section V. of the subject Consent Decree above. The EPA and the MDEQ hereby approve this document pending changes reflective of the following comments.

- 1. Page 3-4: The last sentence of the second paragraph on this page states, "It is further recommended that all Crew Leaders,should be required to obtain a Class II-C Certification." This guidance document should be the tool used to determine this type of requirement. When the document says "recommended that" it "should be required," is it not the City that says whether it is required or not (outside of any state/federal requirements)? If this is a recommended certification, then the City should stipulate that it is "recommended" or "highly recommended." If the City feels that this is a required certification, then the document should clearly state as such (and fully fund the requirement).
- 2. <u>Page 6-, Section 6.1</u>: "The Public Works Department currently does not have a does not have a staff member dedicated to coordinating training activities." Please delete the second "does not have a." Also, please include in your quarterly reports your efforts to fill the Training Coordinator position.
- 3. <u>Page 6-1, Section 6.1</u>: Please add to the Duties of the Training Coordinator the following:
 - Annual training program review and recommendations for improvement to the Director of Public Works (or delegated official), to include a review of CMOM Training Program guidance documents and training materials. (Or something to this affect so as to ensure the training program effectiveness is being reviewed at least annually and that program documents are being appropriately updated).

The EPA expects that the City of Jackson will revise and resubmit (for the EPA's records) the CMOM Training Program document and certification that the program has been fully implemented no later than 12 months of receipt of this letter, pursuant to Paragraph 32 of the Consent Decree. If you should have any questions regarding the above comments, please contact Mr. Brad Ammons at (404) 562-9769 or via email at ammons.brad@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

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Municipal & Industrial Enforcement Section

Clean Water Enforcement Branch

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Mr. Willie Bell City of Jackson